

# Public Health Advisory Council (PHAC)

Tuesday, May 9, 2023 • 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Zoom Meeting:

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AGENDA ITEM	CONTENT	REQUESTED ACTION	RESOURCES	LEAD	TIME
Welcome	Welcome, introductions, review agenda, approve minutes from April			Larysa Thomas	5:30
Update from Housing Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Council will receive an update on work being done by the County around homeless services and affordable housing.</li> </ul>		<a href="#">Department of Housing Services</a> <a href="#">Metro Supportive Housing Services Bond</a> <a href="#">Regional Affordable Housing Bond</a> <a href="#">Minutes September 2021</a>	Allie Alexander-Sheridan, Program Coordinator with the Department of Health and Human Services and the Department of Housing	5:45
Budget Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Members will receive an update on the proposed FY 23-24 budget</li> </ul>	PHAC will vote to submit written and/or verbal testimony to the Budget Committee	<a href="#">Proposed FY 23-24 Budget</a> <a href="#">Budget Committee Meeting</a>	Marie Boman-Davis	6:20
Legislative Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Modernization funding</li> <li>Follow up on previously identified legislation</li> <li>Flavor ban</li> </ul>		<a href="#">SB 5525 Public Health Modernization Budget</a> <a href="#">SB 953 Relating to Death Investigations</a> <a href="#">SB 916 Relating to Public Health</a> <a href="#">HB 3090 A Relating to Characterizing Flavors</a>	Marie Boman-Davis	6:35
State Public Health Advisory Board Updates (PHAB)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Council will receive an update from Marie on work happening with the State's PHAB</li> </ul>		<a href="#">Public Health Advisory Board</a>	Marie Boman-Davis	
Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Summer in-person meeting</li> <li>Equity training opportunities</li> </ul>			Alex Coleman	7:00
Member Updates/Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PHAC members have an opportunity to ask questions, or provide any comments on topics outside the agenda items</li> </ul>			Alex Coleman and Marie Boman-Davis	7:10
Public Comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Community members can ask questions or provide comment during this time</li> </ul>			Alex Coleman and Marie Boman-Davis	7:20
Closing	PHAC <a href="#">Feedback Survey</a>			Larysa Thomas	7:25



**Next Meeting:** June 13, 2023

**Future PHAC Meetings:**

- July – No Meeting
- August 8, 2023

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**ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

Housing Services:

The Washington County Department of Housing Services consists of a homeless services division, housing development team, and is consistently publishing plans, policies and reports as a result of its affiliated community leadership arms. The mission of the Department of Housing Services is to provide a continuum of affordable housing options that promote community strength. Working in partnership with both the non-profit and the private sector, the department combines traditional housing programs with economic opportunity to encourage self-sufficiency, skill enhancement and independence for program participants.

In [September 2021](#), this group received an update from the previous Deputy Director of Housing Services Josh Crites, about work being done by the County to support those experiencing homelessness, as well as how the County was working to increase the number of affordable housing units available. This month, in response to the group's request for additional updates, Allie Alexander Sheridan, the HHS liaison to the Housing Services Department will provide information on the County's work related to homeless services as well as some information on the affordable housing landscape within the county.

Legislative Update:

In April, the group voted to submit testimony to the Oregon State Legislature on SB 953 Relating to death investigations. A public hearing has not yet been scheduled for this bill.

In April, the group also received information on SB 916 Relating to public health. This is a place holder bill that we are currently watching.

[HB 3090 A](#) Relating to characterizing flavors, would prohibit the distributing, attempting to sell or allowing to be sold flavored inhalant deliver system products or flavored tobacco product in

the state. This bill is currently assigned to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means with a recommendation to pass with amendments. This would result in a statewide ban on flavored tobacco and synthetic nicotine products.

In November 2021, Washington County did pass an ordinance (Ordinance 878) banning the sale of flavored nicotine, this was referred to voters and upheld in 2022. In September 2022, a circuit court judge blocked the ban, saying that the decision had to come from the state. Washington County did file an appeal which is currently pending.

If passed, HB 3090 A would be enforced by the state through their Tobacco Retail Licensing program.